

00009-22: PPS RFA for CAF Support to Parliamentary Operations

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Attachments: Inquiry/request for support - rations to support PPS operations (65.54 kB)

BGen Laforest,

On February 16, 2022, Public Safety Canada (PS) received the attached Request for Federal Assistance (RFA) from the Parliamentary Protective Services of Canada (PPS) seeking immediate logistical support from the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) for ongoing operations on Parliament Hill. The PPS, as a federal entity, can make a Request for federal assistance directly to Public Safety Canada.

Since January 28, 2022, there have been persisting demonstrations in the City of Ottawa and there continues to be a number of vehicles blocking transportation routes in the downtown core, including in front of Parliament Hill. PPS is preparing for all possibilities that may impact its operations in the Parliamentary Precinct. PPS is working rapidly to secure various supplies, including rations, for its staff.

The assistance of the CAF is in the national interest and CAF is considered to be the most efficient and well positioned federal asset to provide this support due to the time sensitivity of this operation.

We have confirmed that both MEP and MND approved CAF support, pursuant to subsection 273.6(2) of the National Defence Act. The following assistance was approved:

- As capacity allows, provide rations to law enforcement personnel.

Support is required starting **February 18, 2022** until the Parliamentary Protective Service has received the requested rations.

With approvals in place, please action CAF support.

Many thanks for your ongoing collaboration.

Sincerely,

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